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ANNIVERSARY OF REUNIFICATION

1. SPEAKING IN JERUSALEM ON THE OCCASION OF THE TENTH
ANNIVERSARY OF REUNIFICATION OF THE CITY, PRIME MINISTER
RABIN SAID INTER ALIA THAT "OUR PRESENT CHALLENGE IS
THE TASK TO MAKE FULL USE OF THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL
ACHIEVEMENT OF UNITED JERUSALEM IN ORDER TO BUILD AND
ENHANCE ISRAEL'S CAPITAL IN EVERY RESPECT. MUCH HAS
BEEN DONE IN THE PAST DECADE. THE POPULATION HAS
INCREASED, INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING, CULTURE AND SCIENCE
HAVE TAKEN ROOT AND EXPANDED, AND GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC
INSTITUTIONS HAVE MOVED TO THE CAPITAL. SCIENCE-BASED
INDUSTRIES HAVE SPRUNG UP, AND JERUSALEM HAS GOROWN IN
ALL DIRECTIONS--TO THE SOUTH, NORTH, WEST AND EAST.

2. MAY THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE SECOND DECADE (COMMENT:
I.E., TEN YEARS HENCE) OF JERUSALEM'S REUNIFICATION
FIND THE COUNTRY SAFE AND AT PEACE. BLESSED BE THE
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SONS AND BUILDERS OF RENEWED JERUSALEM."

3. DEFENSE MINISTER PERES, MAKING AN ADDRESS ELSE-
WHERE IN THE CITY, SAID THA "EVERY HOME ESTABLISHED
IN JERUSALEM, EVERY JEW SETTTLING WITHIN ITS GATES,
EVERY PAGE ADDED TO ITS SPIRITUAL HERITAGE AND EVERY
ENTERPRISE FOUNDED IN ITS SUBURBS--WILL DETERMINE

JERUSALEM'S FATE, RATHER THAN DECLARATIONS FROM
ABROAD AND PRONOUNCEMENTS AT HOME."

4. PERES ALSO STATED THAT "ISRAEL WILL NOT AGREE TO
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW PALESTINIAN STATE, WHOSE
GUNS, KATYUSHAS AND ROCKETS ARE AIMED POINT-BLANK
AT ITS HEARTLAND. THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION CANNOT
BE SOLVED BY A NEW STATE BASED ON THE TERROR THAT
DESTROYED THE LEBANON, A STATE DREAMING OF EXPANSION
TOWARDS THE SEA. WE DO NOT INTEND, AND WE HAVE NO
OBLIGATION TO RECOGNIZE AN ORGANIZATION STRIVING FOR
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE WHOSE REAL AIM IS THE
DESTRUCTION OF THE JEWISH STATE. WE ARE NOT FRIGHTENED
BY THREATS, WE SHALL NOT GIVE IN TO PRESSURES, BUT
SHALL INSIST ON OUR RIGHTS."
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